

Matthew 28:18

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and **make disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

"The goal is to have fewer people involved in running the organization and more people involved in front lines mission"
-*The New Reformation: Returning the Ministry to the People of God*. Ogden, G. 1990.

"The church should exist where life happens"
-*Organic Church: Growing faith where life happens*. Cole, Neil. 2005.

_____ is the engine of Mission.

Psalm 78:4-7

"We will tell the **next generation** the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord, his power, and the wonders he has done... So the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born, and they in turn would tell their children. Then they would put their trust in God and would not forget his deeds but would keep his commands.
-*This encompasses 4 Generations of Faith!*

"Christianity has understood itself to be a faith imparted by one to another"
-*Deep Mentoring: Guiding Others on Their Leadership Journey*. Reese and Loane. 2012.

Deuteronomy 3:28

"But commission Joshua, and encourage and strengthen him, for he will lead this people across and will cause them to inherit the land that you will see."

Numbers 27:18, 22-23

So the Lord said to Moses, "Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the spirit of leadership, and lay your hand on him"....Moses did as the Lord commanded him. He took Joshua and had him stand before Eleazar the priest and the whole congregation. Then he laid his hands on him and commissioned him, as the Lord instructed through Moses."

2 Timothy 2:2

"And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others" -*4 Generations of disciples*

"Our hope as spiritual mentors is to play a modest part - for God is the primary worker - in awakening anew the mentorees' awareness of God's calling in their lives and empowering their unique voice for kingdom service and leadership"
-*Deep Mentoring: Guiding Others on Their Leadership Journey*. Reese and Loane. 2012.

ABRAHAM'S FAMILY ON MISSION:

Genesis 12:1-5

"Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country...to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and **in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.**" So Abram went, as the Lord had told him...Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people that they had acquired in Haran, and they set out to go to the land of Canaan.

JOSEPH AND MARY LIVED AS A FAMILY ON MISSION AND INVITED JESUS IN:

Matthew 2:13-23

Joseph, Mary, Jesus, and probably a few others fled to Egypt by the Divine guidance of God to escape the infanticide of Herod in Bethlehem. They stayed there in Egypt until God told them it was safe to return. We do not know how long this was, they had to trust the leading of God for their family. Jesus grew up in Nazareth because that is where God called their *family on mission* to live. Where is God calling your *family on mission* to live?

*Another example of how Jesus was a part of a *family on mission*: Luke 2:41-52

AS A GROWN MAN JESUS WOULD START HIS OWN FAMILY ON MISSION:

Jesus would say: "Who are My mother and My brothers? Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother." (Mark 3:31-35)

Luke 6:12-13

And it was at this time that He went off to the mountain to pray, and He spent the whole night in prayer to God. And when day came, He called His disciples to Him; and **chose twelve of them**, whom He also named apostles.

Mark 3:13-16

And He went up to the mountain and summoned those whom He Himself wanted, and they came to Him. And He appointed twelve, **that they might be with Him**, and **that He might send them out to preach**, and to have authority to cast out the demons. And He appointed the twelve... (Family + Mission)

THE EARLY CHURCH LIVING AS A FAMILY ON MISSION:

Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. (Family + Mission)

PAUL'S FAMILY ON MISSION:

Romans 16 – This entire chapter mentions the people by name who are on Paul's ministry team. These are the people he risked his life with as they all sought to advance the kingdom.